MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): Then, may I know where is the difficulty in advancing loans for redeeming debts due to the Central Co-operative Bank?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): The rules of the Land Mortgage Bank specifically provide that the applicant for loan must, at the time of the application, be in possession of the property offered as security. The question of the payment of the money advanced arises only after the loan is granted.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): Has not the mortgager the right to mortgage his equity of redemption?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): The Land Mortgage Bank is not advancing money on the security of *jenmom* or equity of redemption rights. I may also say, in this connection, that it is the intention of the Government that the Land Mortgage Bank should not be a rival institution to the Central Co-operative Bank.

MR PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): What is the rate of interest charged by the Central Co-operative Bank?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): Generally 8¾ per cent.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): What is the rate of interest charged by the Land Mortgage Bank?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): 7½ per cent. till the end of Karkatakam 1109 and 6½ per cent. from 1st Chingom 1110.

Conversion of the Todupuzha Munsiff's Court into a Munsiff-Magistrate's Court.

173. *MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the High Court has recommended the conversion of the Todupuzha Munsiff's Court into a Munsiff-Magistrate's Court; and

(*b*) if so, what has become of the recommendation?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes: the proposal was made on the ground that there was not sufficient work for a full-time Munsiff at Todupuzha.

(*b*) The views of the High Court have been invited as to whether the work of the Todupuzha Munsiff could not be sufficiently increased by raising his pecuniary jurisdiction up to Rs. 5,000.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Have the Government received any reply from the High Court?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Not yet.

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MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): How long is it since the opinion of the High Court was called for?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The reference was made to the High Court on 15-4-1934.

Resolution of the Travancore Private School Teachers' Conference.

174. *MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): With reference to clause 2 of the Government Proceedings on the resolutions of the conference of the Travancore Private School Teachers, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Education Reforms Committee reported to Government (Page 59, para 2 of the Report) that at present there is not sufficient security of tenure to private school teachers and that the provisions of the Code are not properly adhered to; and

(*b*) what they propose to do to see that "the existing Code rules regarding the endorsement of teachers' licenses are adhered to" in order to give "adequate protection to the teachers in privately managed schools"?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Director of Public Instruction has already issued instructions to all Inspecting Officers regarding the endorsement of teachers' licenses in accordance with the rules.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANHBHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): When were the instructions issued?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Immediately after the re-organisation of the Inspectorate.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): May I know whether the present Director has received appeals from any teacher against the managers in this matter.

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): May I know the number of such petitions?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): It is rather difficult to give the accurate number.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): May I know the approximate number at least?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): About ten.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Macelikara*): Am I to understand that innumerable appeals are being preferred to the Director against the managers of private institutions?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Not *innumerable*, but a considerable number.

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